

**African-American/Caribbean Education Association Inc
(AACEAINC)
2nd Original Oratory Competition
Honoring Frederick Douglas, the Iconic Master of Oratory
The American Legion Post 483
240-08 135th Ave, Rosedale, NY 11422
February 1, 2025 – 1:00 – 4:00 P.M.
Kicking - Off Black History Month**

ANNOUNCEMENT

About the Original Oratory Competition

“Original Oratory” is a memorized, persuasive speech. The Orator has the unique and awesome job of addressing an audience utilizing his or her communication skills: To convince, to inspire, to stimulate thinking, to move a listener to an action, or to broaden a listener’s perspective.

Eligibility:

Grades: 5 - 12, in Middle and High School Divisions

Topics of the Original Oratory are provided and you may select the topic that you prefer to perform. All the given topics are listed in the Registration Form. You may not select a topic of your choice. It is suggested that you make your selection early, to allow yourself enough time to research topic, organize and write your thoughts, then begin memorizing your written speech.

Registration Form:

There is NO registration fee. Read the Registration Form thoroughly. The form provides all the necessary information regarding the Rules of the Competition, the given Topics, and the Deadline dates to submit registration form and written speech.

Spectators:

Spectators may attend by paying an Entry Fee, as follows:

\$20 - Adults 18 yrs and older

\$10 - Children and young adults under 18 yrs

- A Guest List is generated with paid entry fee holders, there are no tickets to be given

The entrance fee can be paid via:

1. Remittance: Make check or money order payable to: African-American/Caribbean Education Association
Mail to: AACEAINC—Attn: Oratory Competition, P. O. Box 1224, Valley Stream, NY 11582-1224
2. Website: <https://aaceainc.com/contact-ii/> --The AACEAINC Contact Page
You must see the details given to pay entry fee and to be accurately listed on the Guest List; confirmation is provided
3. AACEAINC representative

Food Not Included

Food is not provided. Bottled water will only be provided to oratory competitors. Oratory competitors and spectators are advised to bring a light snack.

Awards:

Cash prizes will be awarded to First, Second, and Third Place winners in their respective Middle School and High School Divisions.

1st Place: \$200

2nd Place \$100

3rd Place \$50

Additionally, each winner will receive their Certificate of First, Second, and Third Place

* A Certificate of Participation will be awarded to those oratory competitors who did not place.

How to Apply:

Read the entire Registration Form carefully. This will help to ensure that you understand the Rules of the oratory competition. The Rules are important to your entering and competing in the competition.

1. Download Registration Form
2. Follow all directions given in the Registration Form regarding rules, topics, written speeches, and deadlines

Do Not Mail Registration Form

Contact Information: Questions may be directed via telephone or email address.

Telephone: 718-949-6733 (Listed in Queens directory of New York City)

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